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Devices, Systems, and Methods for Reducing Levels of Pro-Inflammatory or Anti-Inflammatory Stimulators or Mediators in the Blood, Generated as a Result of

Extracorporeal Blood Processing

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 **Alexandria, VA 22313-1450** 26308

PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

AMENDMENT, PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO MAINTAIN PARENT CASE WHICH IS TO BE ABANDONED WHEN FILING NEW APPLICATION CLAIMING ITS BENEFIT

Where an extension of time is sought solely for the purpose of filing a continuation application under 35 USC 120 and where NOTE: the prior application is to be abandoned in favor of the continuing application, the filing of a response as required by 37 CFR 1.111 or 1.113 is considered to be an unnecessary expenditure of resources by the applicant and, in these situations, the PTO will accept the filing of a continuing application as a response under 37 CFR 1.136. Notice of May 13, 1983 (1031 OG 11).

The PTO finds it useful if a copy of the petition filed in the prior application extending the term for response is filed with the NOTE: papers constituting the filing of the continuation application. Notice of November 5, 1985 (1060 O.G. 27).

The amendment in this case is a bona fide attempt by applicant to respond and to advance this 1. application to final action and comprises a separately filed:

(check (a), (b) or (c) as applicable)

(a)	[x]	Continuation application
(b)	[]	Continuation-in-part application

Divisional application (WHERE PARENT CASE IS TO BE ABANDONED) (c)

A copy of this amendment and petition is being filed with the papers constituting the filing of the separately filed application.

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2.	This is a petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time to respond to								
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	(d) (e)	[x]	the Office Act			2004			
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4.	Applicant is								
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5.	Extension requested								
	The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply.								
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[]	An extension for months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.								
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- (b) [] Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

 Fee payment
 - A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

Attached is a check in the sum of \$ 490.00.

Charge Account No. <u>06-2360</u> the sum of \$_

7. Fee deficiency

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